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On 31 January 2003 the undersigned discussed the status of the case with Examiner Isabella. He indicated that applicants' Response was not in the system and suggested that the response be re-filed. Accordingly, attached is the Response, with enclosures, and a copy of the return postcard indicating receipt by the Patent Office on 30 April 2002.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would be helpful, please call the undersigned at (650) 712-0340.

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